

## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1, 3 – 20 and 22 – 24 are currently pending and rejected.

The applicants amend claims 13, 15 and 16; and add claim 25 – 28. The applicants respectfully assert that claims 1, 3 – 20 and 22 – 28, as amended, are in condition for allowance for at least the reasons discussed below.

### **Rejection of Claims 1, 3 – 12 and 22**

The applicants' respectfully assert that claim 1 is patentable over U.S. Patent 5,143,868 issued to Caveney *et al.* (Caveney) at least because Caveney fails to disclose a housing having circuitry disposed within it. Caveney discloses a housing that holds communications connectors and a portion of the wire or the cable coupled to the connectors. The connectors and the respective wire and cable portions coupled to them are portions of a circuit, not a circuit. Thus, the connectors and the respective wire and cable portions coupled to them are not circuitry.

Claims 3 – 12 and 22 are patentable at least by virtue of their dependencies on claim 1.

### **Rejection of Claims 13 and 14**

Claim 13, as amended, is patentable over Caveney at least for reasons similar to those recited above in support of claim 1 over Caveney.

Claim 14 is patentable at least by virtue of its dependency on claim 13, as amended.

### **Rejection of Claim 15**

The applicants' respectfully assert that claim 15 is patentable over U.S. Patent 5,143,868 issued to Caveney *et al.* (Caveney) at least because Caveney fails to disclose a computer system whose housing holds computer circuitry. Caveney

discloses a communication box for holding communication connectors at the end of a wire or cable, for example a telephone jack at the end of a telephone wire or a network jack at the end of a network cable. The communication connectors and the ends of the wires or cables that they are mounted on are not computer circuitry. Furthermore, the communication box, the connectors that it holds, and the ends of the wires or cables disposed inside the box are not a computer system.

#### **Rejection of Claims 16 – 20, 23 and 24**

Claim 16, as amended, is patentable over Caveney at least for reasons similar to those recited above in support of claim 1 over Caveney.

Claims 17 – 20, 23 and 24 are patentable at least by virtue of their dependencies from claim 16.

#### **Conclusion**

The applicants respectfully request the examiner withdraw the rejection against claims 1, 3 – 20 and 22 – 24, as amended, and issue an allowance for claims 1, 3 – 20 and 22 – 28.

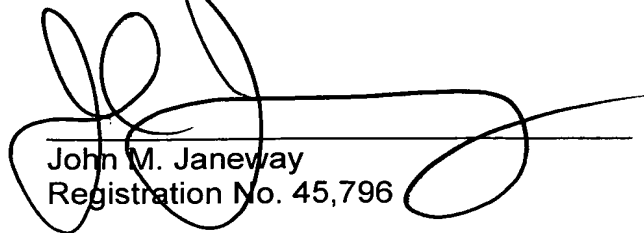
If, after considering this response, the examiner believes the claims should not be allowed, the applicants' attorney respectfully requests that before issuing an Office Action, the examiner call Mr. Janeway (425-455- 5575) to schedule a telephone conference to further the prosecution of the claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge, at any time during the pendency of this application, any required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.25.

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